sible access to U.S. and European markets, which we expect will be a major theme of the G-7 summit. President Goncz expressed his gratitude for U.S. understanding and support. In this context, the two Presidents also agreed on the importance for

the successful conclusion of the Uruguay round.

The two leaders also discussed nationalities conflicts in Central and Eastern Europe, as well as transformations in the Soviet Union.

## Message to the Congress Transmitting the Annual Report on Radiation Control for Health and Safety

May 23, 1991

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 360D of the Public Health Service Act (21 U.S.C. 360qq), I am submitting the report of the Department of Health and Human Services regarding the administration of the Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968 during calendar year 1990.

The report recommends the repeal of section 360D of the Public Health Service Act that requires the completion of this annual report. All the information found in

this report is available to the Congress on a more immediate basis through Center technical reports, the Radiological Health Bulletin, and other publicly available sources. This annual report serves little useful purpose and diverts Agency resources from more productive activities.

GEORGE BUSH

The White House, May 23, 1991.

## Remarks to the National Retail Federation *May 23, 1991*

Good morning. Thank you very much. Please be seated. It's great to have you all here at the White House. It's good to see Bill Howell behind me here, and Tracy Mullin. And of course, Boyden Gray you heard from—one of our top people in the White House, my friend of long standing, our general counsel who follows the issues that I'm sure you're interested in very, very closely. I'm pleased to see Jack, Jack Schultz here, and delighted to be with you.

The federation, your federation, has supported our administration, as I think you all know, on a wide range of topics. And I wanted at the outset of these remarks just to express my appreciation for that and obviously ask, while I have this much horsepower here, for your continued support. But let me just talk about an issue today that is of importance to every person in

this room, I'd say, transcending importance. And the subject is economic growth. It affects everybody in the country, including and especially perhaps the 16 million workers that you represent.

While there's some disagreement about the length and the depth of the recession, we've got to commit ourselves to policies that are going to promote growth and opportunity that will carry us right into the next century.

Incidentally, on the recession, I'm feeling more confident about the fact that we're—if not have bottomed out, are bottoming out. And I think there's an awful lot of economic forecasters that would agree with what I've just said.

Our growth package can do this. It can guarantee prosperity into the future and it can put us on a long-term path to market-